

COMMITTEE REPORT

MR. PRESIDENT:

The Senate Committee on Rules and Legislative Procedure, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 9, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

- 1 Delete the title and insert the following:
- 2 A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning
- 3 local government.
- 4 Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:
- 5 SECTION 1. IC 36-8-19-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 6 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 6. (a) To establish
- 7 a fire protection territory, the legislative bodies of each unit desiring to
- 8 become a part of the proposed territory must adopt identical ordinances
- 9 after January 1 but before April 1 authorizing the unit to become a
- 10 party to an agreement for the establishment of a fire protection
- 11 territory. **Before adopting an ordinance under this section, a**
- 12 **legislative body must hold a public hearing to receive public**
- 13 **comment on the proposed ordinance. The legislative body must**
- 14 **give notice of the hearing under IC 5-3-1.** The ordinance shall
- 15 include at least the following:
 - 16 (1) The boundaries of the proposed territory.
 - 17 (2) The identity of the provider unit and all other participating
 - 18 units desiring to be included within the territory.
 - 19 (3) An agreement to impose:
 - 20 (A) a uniform tax rate upon all of the taxable property within
 - 21 the territory for fire protection services; **or**
 - 22 (B) **different tax rates for fire protection services for the**
 - 23 **units desiring to be included within the territory, so long as**
 - 24 **a tax rate applies uniformly to all of a unit's taxable**
 - 25 **property within the territory.**
 - 26 (4) The contents of the agreement to establish the territory.

1 (b) An ordinance adopted under this section takes effect July 1 of
 2 the year the ordinance is adopted.
 3 SECTION 2. IC 36-8-19-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
 4 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE UPON PASSAGE]: Sec. 7. A tax levied
 5 under this chapter must be levied at:
 6 (1) a uniform rate upon all taxable property within the territory;
 7 or
 8 (2) different rates for the units included within the territory,
 9 so long as a tax rate applies uniformly to all of a unit's taxable
 10 property within the territory.
 11 SECTION 3. An emergency is declared for this act.
 (Reference is to SB9 as introduced.)

and when so amended that said bill be reassigned to the Senate Committee on Governmental and Regulatory Affairs.

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